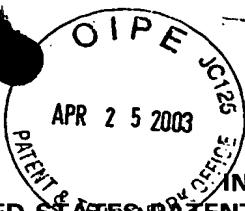


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TOTAL CLAIMS	22	MINUS	36	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
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[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						+ \$280 \$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 0
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